

Docket No.: 50032-162

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Takashi MATSUMOTO et al. :  
Serial No.: : Group Art Unit:  
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For: COIN DISPENSING APPARATUS :

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4, line 2, please delete "or claim 3".

Please re-number lines 8, 9, and 10 of claim 6 as claim 7 and correct the line numbering of lines 8, 9, and 10 to 1, 2, and 3. In this claim 7, lines 1 and 2, please delete "or claim 6".

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